

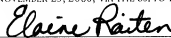
PATENT APPLICATION

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**RESPONSE**

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed on October 29, 2008, and includes the following sections:

1. Listing of Claims beginning on page 2
2. Remarks, beginning on page 5.

No fee is believed to be necessary. Should any fee be required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 06-0029 and notify us of the same.

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